

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 95

**Introduced by Committee on Judiciary (Corbett (Chair), Hancock,
Jackson, Laird, Longville, Montanez, Steinberg, and Vargas)**

January 8, 2003

An act to amend Section 17201 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to unfair competition.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 95, as introduced, Committee on Judiciary. Unfair competition.

Under existing law, unfair competition is defined to include an unlawful, unfair, or fraudulent business act or practice, unfair, deceptive, untrue, or misleading advertising, and any false representations to the public. Existing law authorizes an action for relief from unlawful competition to be brought by the Attorney General, a district attorney, a county counsel, or a city attorney, or by any person acting for the interests of itself, its members, or the general public, and provides various remedies, including injunctive relief, restitution, and civil penalties. Existing law defines “person” for purposes of these provisions to mean and include natural persons, corporations, firms, partnerships, joint stock companies, associations, and other organizations of persons.

This bill would revise the definition of “person” for these purposes to also include limited liability companies.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 17201 of the Business and Professions
2 Code is amended to read:
3 17201. As used in this chapter, the term person shall mean and
4 include natural persons, corporations, *limited liability companies*,
5 firms, partnerships, joint stock companies, associations and other
6 organizations of persons.

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